## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**PLAINTIFF** 

**v.** 

Case No. 4:21-CR-00077-01-LPR

EARL LOCKHART, III

**DEFENDANT** 

## **ORDER**

Defendant's Motion to Reduce Sentence (Doc. 204) is DENIED.

Amendment 821 does not change Defendant's applicable guideline range because he was sentenced to the statutory minimum of 60 months.<sup>1</sup>

Additionally, Defendant's plea agreement provides that he "waives the right to have the sentence modified pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3582(c)(2) . . . ." Because Defendant knowingly and voluntarily entered into his plea agreement, including this waiver, he is not entitled to relief.<sup>3</sup>

IT IS SO ORDERED this 5th day of April, 2024.

LEE P. RUDOFSKY

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See U.S.S.G 1.10 (a)(2) ("Exclusions.—A reduction in the defendant's term of imprisonment is not consistent with this policy statement and therefore is not authorized under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2) if— . . . an amendment listed in subsection (d) does not have the effect of lowering the defendant's applicable guideline range.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Doc. No. 133.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> United States v. Cowan, 781 F. App'x 571 (8th Cir. 2019) (affirming dismissal of a § 3582 (c)(2) motion when the record establish that the defendant knowingly and voluntarily entered the plea agreement).